

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 3590, Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act (The legislative vehicle entitled, “The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act”).

Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 223, Adjournment Resolution.

First Session of the 111th Congress adjourned sine die.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S13889–S14141*

**Measures Introduced:** Two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S.J. Res. 25, and S. Res. 387.

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#### Measures Passed:

***Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act:*** By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 396), Senate passed H.R. 3590, entitled The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S13890–S14132**

Adopted:

Cardin (for Reid) Amendment No. 3298, to amend the title.

**Pages S14124–32**

***Continued Government Financing Act:*** By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 397), Senate passed H.R. 4314, to permit continued financing of Government operations, clearing the measure for the President.

**Pages S14132–34**

***Adjournment Resolution:*** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 223, providing for the sine die adjournment of the first session of the One Hundred Eleventh Congress.

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**Authorizing Leadership To Make Appointments—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamen-

tary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

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**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous consent agreement was reached providing that all nominations received by the Senate during the 111th Congress, first session, remain in status quo, notwithstanding the December 24, 2009, adjournment of the Senate, and the provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, with the following exceptions: Col. David A. Teeple; Dawn Elizabeth Johnsen, to be Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Mary L. Smith, to be Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Christopher H. Schroeder, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, The Judiciary; Craig Becker, to be Member of the National Labor Relations Board (Reappointment); and Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, The Judiciary.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Miriam E. Sapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Paul T. Anastas, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Thomas Alfred Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil.